



# CITY OF LODI COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

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AGENDA TITLE: Adopt Resolution Authorizing Submittal of a Safe Route to School Grant Application to California Department of Transportation

MEETING DATE: November 7, 2007

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Adopt a resolution authorizing the submittal of a Safe Route to School grant application to the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and authorizing the City Manager to execute the grant application.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** The City of Lodi, in conjunction with the Lodi Unified School District (LUSD), has been successful in receiving funds from the Safe Route to School (SR2S) program for pedestrian improvements. It is time again to submit grant applications for the SR2S program, 7th Cycle.

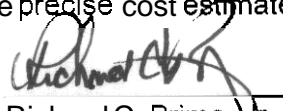
The program is intended to improve and enhance the safety of pedestrian and bicycle facilities. Over the past years, the SR2S program funded the lighted crosswalks for Lawrence and Reese Elementary School students and construction of a new roadway and pedestrian/bicycle pathway near Lodi High School. Another SR2S project currently underway is the installation of new pedestrian warning school signs around the City.

The City is submitting an application, in cooperation with LUSD, for design, environmental review, and construction for the Century Boulevard pedestrian and bicycle crossing (Exhibit A). As part of the San Joaquin Council of Governments Air Quality Control Measures, the City committed to pursue a bicycle/pedestrian crossing over the railroad tracks between Century Park and Salas Park. The project includes a prefabricated over-crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) mainline at the extension of Century Boulevard between Church Street and Stockton Street. The facility will primarily serve the middle and high school students living east of the UPRR tracks, in the southeast area of the City. Currently, the only route to travel to and from Tokay High and Lodi Middle Schools is along Kettleman Lane, which is one to two miles longer than the proposed crossing from the residential area east of UPRR.

The estimated cost for this project is \$2,400,000, based on generic costs for this type of facility: a project-specific estimate has not yet been developed.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The SR2S program provides funds for 90% of the project total (5900,000 grant maximum) and 10% local match. Local match will depend on project costs. Additional funds will be needed from other sources, which could include Transportation Development Act (TDA), Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA), Measure K, and LUSD.

**FUNDING AVAILABLE:** Not applicable at this time. Local match to be determined pending a successful grant and a more precise cost estimate.

  
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Public Works Director

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Attachment  
cc City Attorney  
Transportation Manager

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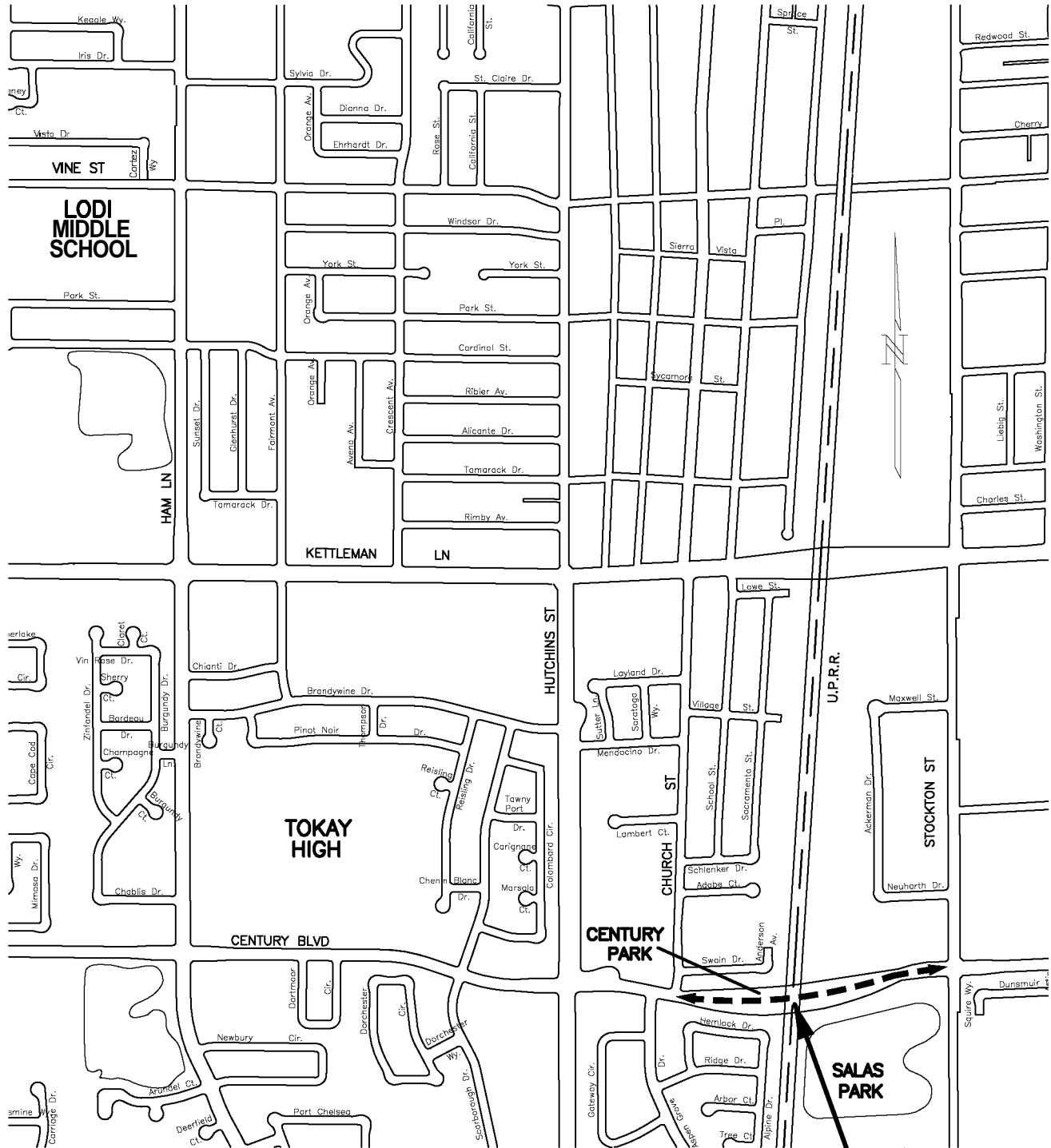
APPROVED:   
Blair King, City Manager



# CITY OF LODI

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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Proposed Pedestrian & Bicycle Facility

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-211

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING  
THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL  
GRANT APPLICATION TO CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION (CALTRANS)

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WHEREAS, Caltrans has developed the Safe Routes to School Program under the Federal Hazard Elimination and Safety Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi recognizes the need for additional funding from the Safe Routes to School Program to reduce accidental injuries and improve safety for those students walking and bicycling to and from school; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi, in conjunction with the Lodi Unified School District, has selected the design, environmental review, and construction of the Century Boulevard pedestrian and bicycle crossing, including the prefabricated over-crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) mainline at the extension of Century Boulevard between Church Street and Stockton Street, for the submittal of a grant application for the Caltrans Safe Routes to School Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby authorize the submittal of a grant application in the amount of \$2,400,000 for the Caltrans Safe Routes to School Program for the project listed above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute the grant application on behalf of the City of Lodi.

Dated: November 7, 2007

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2007-211 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held November 7, 2007, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS - Hansen, Hitchcock, Katzakian, Mounce, and Mayor Johnson

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

  
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November 2, 2007

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SUBJECT: Adopt Resolution Authorizing Submittal of Safe Route to School Grant  
Application to California Department of Transportation

Enclosed is a copy of background information on an item on the City Council agenda of Wednesday, November 7, 2007. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, Carnegie Forum, 305 West Pine Street.

This item is on the consent calendar and is usually not discussed unless a Council Member requests discussion. The public is given an opportunity to address items on the consent calendar at the appropriate time.

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If you wish to address the Council at the Council Meeting, be sure to fill out a speaker's card (available at the Carnegie Forum immediately prior to the start of the meeting) and give it to the City Clerk. If you have any questions about communicating with the Council, please contact Randi Johl, City Clerk, at 333-6702.

If you have any questions about the item itself, please call Paula Fernandez, Senior Traffic Engineer, at 333-6800, extension 2667.



for:

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Public Works Director

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Enclosure

cc: City Clerk